

**CITY COUNCIL**

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

88-177

RESOLUTION

DECLARING THE THIRD MONDAY OF JANUARY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY AS AN ESTABLISHED HOLIDAY FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

WHEREAS, Martin Luther King, Jr. was an outstanding national leader, a man of peace and nonviolence, and an untiring advocate of freedom, justice and dignity for all persons in the United States of America, regardless of race, creed or national origin; and,

WHEREAS, the patient and persistent work of Martin Luther King, Jr., changed the course of history in our country from a nation which idealized equality of opportunity to a nation committed to equality of opportunity; and,

WHEREAS, the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., has provided a model to all living and all future generations of the standards of freedom, equality and justice as set forth in the Declaration of Independence which rejected the bonds of inequality and injustice and in which our nation was born; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of the tremendous contribution of Martin Luther King, Jr., to the people of America, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America enacted H.R. 3706 to establish the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., the third Monday in January, as a legal public holiday; and,

WHEREAS, on November 2, 1983, the President of the United States signed into law, H.R. 3706 as Public Law 98-144, to take effect on the first January 1 that occurs after the two-year period following the date of enactment; and,

WHEREAS, the House and Senate of the State of Hawaii, in recognition of the multiple ethnic and racial backgrounds of the people of Hawaii, also recognized the contributions of Martin Luther King, Jr., in the adoption of S.C. 186, which amended Section 8-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to delete the second Monday in October, Discoverers' Day from established state holidays and incorporated the third Monday of January, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., day, as set apart as an established state holiday; therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Council hereby express as the policy of the City and County of Honolulu that Martin Luther King, Jr., and the movement, ideals and principles of equality and civil liberties for which he worked, are remembered and commemorated; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council declare its support of the federal and state actions and urge the Mayor to delete the second Monday in October, Discoverers' Day from established city and county holidays and further declare the third Monday of January, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as an established legal public holiday in the City and County of Honolulu, in remembrance and commemoration of unique and historic contributions made to all Americans by life, movement and principles of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this city and county holiday became effective on January 1, 1989; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Council that the Clerk be, and hereby is, directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu,

CO-INTRODUCED BY:


LEIGH-WAI DOO, Councilmember


GARY GILL, Councilmember


DATE OF INTRODUCTION:
APR 27 1988
Honolulu, Hawaii

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HONOLULU, HAWAII

I hereby certify that the foregoing RESOLUTION was adopted by the COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU on the date and by the vote indicated to the right.

ATTEST:


RAYMOND R. PUA
CITY CLERK


ARNOLD MORGADO, JR.
CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER

MAY 25 1988

Dated _____

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